

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 21 and 33 are amended. No claims have been cancelled, withdrawn, or added herein.

Claims 1-33 are pending.

Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the present patent application is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

Allowable Subject Matter

According to the Office Action, Claims 1 – 33 have been allowed. Assignee thanks Examiner for such disposition of these claims. It is submitted, however, that while claims 1 – 33 have been deemed allowable, other allowable subject matter may be supported by the specification and drawings.

Objection to the Specification

In the current action, the specification was objected to for allegedly failing to provide proper antecedent basis for claimed subject matter. Specifically, it is asserted that “a processor readable media for storing instructions” in claim 21 and “a machine-readable medium comprising instructions, which when executed by a machine” in claim 33 are not consistent with language in the specification.

Here, claims 21 and 33 have been amended to more clearly express consistence with language in the specification shown at least in para. [1103] at page 26. Additionally, it is submitted that this portion of the specification supports such amendments to claims 21 and 33, and that such amendments add no new matter.

Furthermore, it is submitted that amendment to claims 21 and 33 merely address informalities identified in the current action and do not touch the merits. Accordingly, entry of

this amendment to claims 21 and 33, and allowance of claims 1 - 33 are respectfully requested without delay.

Finally, it is noted that the Assignee's failure to comment directly upon any of the positions asserted by the Examiner in the office action does not indicate agreement or acquiescence with those asserted positions.

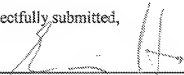
CONCLUSION

In light of the remarks above, Assignee respectfully submits that the application is in condition for prompt allowance, for which early action is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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